

What About Equipment?

Archery equipment used in the ALAS program is highly standardized. The equipment is designed to be safe, durable, economical, and of universal fit for almost all students. All students will shoot the same model of bow and arrows. Sights, release aids, and stabilizers are not a part of ALAS.

Equipment can be ordered by the school or group by completing and submitting an order form at www.archeryintheschools.org.

Thanks to support from the archery industry, equipment kits valued at \$5,000 may be purchased by schools for \$2,800 - \$3,300 depending upon which equipment is chosen.

Equipment necessary to get started:

- 12 Genesis Bows (10 RH/2LH)
- 60 Easton 1820 Alum. Arrows
- 5 80cm FITA Targets
- 1 Arrow Curtain
- 1 Equipment Repair Kit
- 1 Bow Rack*
- 12 Ground Quivers**

**Bow racks can be ordered or constructed by the school to cut cost*

***Ground quivers can be easily constructed by the school*

LDWF has a limited number of ALAS kits available for temporary loan. Equipment grants may be available through the LDWF. Contact the ALAS Coordinator to check availability.

How Can Your School Join?

If interested in having ALAS available to your students, please contact the ALAS Coordinator.

The coordinator can provide additional information and support including: teacher training, grant information, and equipment availability.



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What is ALAS?

Archery in Louisiana Schools (ALAS) is Louisiana's version of the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP). NASP is a program that was developed to help educators that were looking for a way to improve student motivation, attention, behavior, attendance, and focus. NASP was developed by the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife and Mathews Archery in 2001 as the Kentucky Archery in the Schools Program. The program was then implemented in 2002 in 21 Kentucky middle schools. Within the first year the program found its way into over 120 schools in the state.

Due to the program's popularity, and interest from neighboring states, "National" replaced "Kentucky" in the program's name. Since that time NASP has expanded to include 47 states, five Canadian provinces, and even other countries like South Africa and New Zealand.



Why LDWF?

Understanding that in order to be successful, NASP realized that it needed a place to house the program in each state.

State conservation agencies, such as the LDWF, seemed to be the best fit for the program as both organizations have a common interest.

State conservation agencies are concerned that many young people are not learning outdoor skills that will inspire them to spend more time experiencing the outdoors. The LDWF believes that this program will not only promote character development and help students succeed, but will also contribute to the future of natural resource conservation and encourage young people to get out and explore "wild Louisiana."



Who Participates in ALAS?

As the name states ALAS is designed to be taught as part of the in-school curriculum. It is most commonly taught as part of Physical Education, but has many cross-curriculum adaptations.

Students in grades 4 through 12 who participate in the ALAS program are eligible to compete in state, national, and world tournaments.

The program can also be introduced as an activity for church groups, leadership training, outdoor adventure training, and after school programs.

Why Archery?

Archery is a life-long sport that nearly everyone can enjoy success in, no matter what their size, shape or ability level. Archery is a sport of discipline and focus, two attributes that have amazing crossover value in a classroom environment. Archery is a diverse and extremely safe activity, with a broad range of styles and formats. Student archers in ALAS are able to compete in state, national, and world tournaments. Students of all abilities and backgrounds flourish in archery.